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H PASS: HONORABLE JAMES H. QUILLEN, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
CANNON HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

E. O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CASC, IN  
SUBJ: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY: RE MRS. KATHLEEN CUSTIN

REF: CONGRESSMAN QUILLEN'S LETTER DATED JAN. 26, 1977

1. WE HAVE CONTACTED RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS GOVERNMENT OF  
INDIA TO ASCERTAIN REASON FOR THEIR SEIZURE OF \$100 CHECK  
SENT BY YOUR CONSTITUENT MR. LESTER HARTSELL TO MRS. KATHLEEN  
RAE HARTSELL CUSTIN.

2. CHECK IN QUESTION WAS ONE OF PACKET OF 18 FOREIGN CURRENCY  
CHECKS TALLING \$18,853 SEIZED BY INDIAN CUSTOMS WHILE  
BEING ILLEGALLY EXPORTED FROM BOMBAY TO HONG KONG. CHECK WAS  
EITHER LOST OR STOLEN ENROUTE TO MRS. CUSTIN WHO NEVER  
RECEIVED IT, AND HAS NOW BEEN CONFISCATED BY INDIAN  
GOVERNMENT UNDER ITS FOREIGN EXCHANGE REGULATIONS ACT.

3. SUGGEST YOUR CONSTITUENT SHOULD ISSUE STOP PAYMENT ORDER  
AGAINST SEIZED CHECK IMMEDIATELY. OTHERWISE PROCEDURE FOR  
CLAIMING REIMBURSEMENT FOR CHECK FROM INDIAN CUSTOMS  
DIFFICULT, TIME CONSUMING AND UNCERTAIN OF SUCCESS.

2. LETTER FOLLOWS.  
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